Deputy Chief Hassan Aden has served with the Alexandria (VA) Police Department for 24 years. During his tenure he has held various administrative, investigative and operational assignments, working with questions such as crime control policies, community relations and strategic planning. Deputy Chief Aden is currently assigned as the Patrol Operations Bureau commander. He and his staff are deeply committed to community partnerships aimed at fighting crime and disorder with a goal of improving the quality of life in Alexandria.

He is a graduate of American University's Institute for the Study of Public Policy Implementation (ISPPI) from which he earned a Master of Public Administration Certificate in 2007. In December 2009, he graduated from American University's School of Public Affairs earning a Master of Public Administration (MPA) degree.

He is a member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) as well as the Police Executive Research Forum (PERF). Due to his commitment to the continued professionalization of policing, he serves as an assessment team leader for the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA). Deputy Chief Aden's commitment to furthering the policing profession resulted in his 2010 appointment to serve on the National Executive Session on Policing and Public Safety at Harvard's Kennedy School of Government.